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Calvary, Tupelo, Leads In Per Capita Giving



Rev. Everett V. Reneer



Rev. W. L. Day



Rev. Leslie Dodson

2800 Expected At Ten Conferences World Missions

Eight hundred pastors and 2,000 other church leaders are expected to attend the annual series of World Missions Conferences January 14-25, it has been revealed by Dr. Joe T. Odle, associate executive secretary, who will direct the meetings.

A strong program, featuring the newly-developing Church Finance Program of Southern Baptists, will be rendered at each meeting.

Ten regional meetings are scheduled this year instead of the meetings by associations as during the past two years.

Each day's conference will begin at 10 a.m. and close at 4 p.m. The host church will provide drinks for those desiring to bring lunches. Most however, will prefer to eat at local cafes.

A slight change has been made in the original schedule of meetings. The Starkville meeting, originally set for Jan. 23, has been changed to Jan. 24.

The Kosciusko meeting, previously announced for Jan. 24, will be held Jan. 25.

Five Speakers

A complete, corrected schedule appears elsewhere in this issue of the Baptist Record.

Five speakers will appear on each day's program. Three will appear every day. These are Dr. Chester L. Quarles, executive secretary-treasurer, Dr. Odle and Thomas B. Chaney, Jackson, superintendent of missions for Hinds County.

At each meeting two of the pastors of the Jackson churches that participated in the Hinds County Pilot Campaign will speak.

Their schedule will be as follows: Jan. 14-15-16, Dr. G. Norman Price, Parkway Church, and Rev. Gordon Sansing, Broadmoor Church; Jan. 17-18, Dr. Lewis E. Rhodes, Daniel Memorial Church, and Rev. S. W. Valentine, Southside Church; Jan. 21-22, Rev. G. C. Cox, Hillcrest Church, and Rev. Robert W. Martin, Crestwood Church; Jan. 23-24-25, Rev. W. Henry Crouch, Northside Church, and Rev. Fred A. Tarpley, Ridgecrest Church.

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Missionary Workers Killed At Obano

NEW YORK (RNS) — The Christian and Missionary Alliance announced here that Kappaupau tribesmen converged on its settlement at Obano on Lake Paniai, New Guinea, Nov. 4, and slaughtered two of its Indonesian workers.

The missionaries were identified as Mr. and Mrs. Lessnussa. Two Indonesian children, aged 10, also were killed as well as a policeman. Nine other Indonesians are presumed to have been killed since they are still missing. No American missionary was present at Obano when the uprising occurred.

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Christianity Spreading In Russia, Says BWA Officer

Home Board And Seminary Finance Plans Approved

NASHVILLE (BP) — Southwestern Baptist Seminary and the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board have secured permission to use future Cooperative Program income for current financial ventures.

The SBC Executive Committee approved Southwestern Seminary's borrowing \$400,000 to build housing facilities at the seminary in Fort Worth.

President J. Howard Williams said the money will be repaid out of Cooperative Program capital funds distributed to the seminary and also from rent received from the housing units themselves.

The Executive Committee approved the Home Mission Board's request to use up to \$500,000 in its church loan operations, the money to come out of future capital needs allocations through the Cooperative Program.

Late Bulletins From Around The World

By Religious News Service

LAFAYETTE, Ind. — About 100,000 new Protestant churches will be needed in the next 20 years, the president of the Methodist Council of Evangelism reported to the first annual meeting of his group here.

FRANKFORT, Ky. — The internal affairs of a congregation are of no concern to courts and any dispute over such matters must be settled entirely within the church itself, the Kentucky Court of Appeals ruled here.

HONG KONG — Distinguishing between genuine and "progressive" Catholics is not an easy matter for visitors to Communist China, according to an Indonesian member of Parliament who spent 20 days there.

ATHENS — A new law approved by the Greek government prohibits Greek-born clergymen of any religion from immigrating to the Middle East or North Africa, except with the special permission of the Ministry of Cults.

WASHINGTON, D. C. — The Friends Committee on National Legislation announced here it will give top priority next year to seeking an end to tests of intercontinental guided missiles as well as of hydrogen bombs.

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La. Newspaper To Change Printers

ALEXANDRIA, La. (BP) — The Baptist Message, weekly paper of the Louisiana Baptist Convention here has changed its printer and its method of printing.

Effective Jan. 3 the Alexandria Daily Town Talk, local daily newspaper, will begin printing the Baptist Message by letterpress process. Previous printing has been done at Orléans, La., by offset printing.

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1956 Was Great Year For Mississippi Baptists

By Joe Abrams

The year of our Lord 1956 will be marked up in history as one of the best ever for Mississippi Baptists.

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Aged Win Bible Memory Contest



DALLAS, Tex.—Age was no handicap for these two Baptists who won the adult Bible memory contest at the annual convention here of the Texas Baptist Training Union. They are: C. A. Lamb, 73, of Oak Street Baptist church, Colorado City, Tex.; and Mrs. Anna Mae Paulin, 63, of University Baptist church, Abilene.

—Religious News Service Photo.

Texas Baptists To Expand Aid In Spite Of Charges

NASHVILLE (BP) — The Committee to Study Total Southern Baptist Program voted at its recent meeting here to employ professional assistance in carrying forward the survey of Southern Baptist Convention agencies.

It has engaged the firm of Booz, Allen, and Hamilton, of Chicago, management consultants. This same firm has previously done management audits for the Baptist Sunday School Board and the Woman's Missionary Union. It is also working on a survey at Southern Baptist Convention territory.

Members of the Baptist General Convention of Texas executive board, in a meeting at Dallas, declared that "we will serve that area for the same reason Paul went from Troas to Macedonia. The churches there called us and we will go."

Earlier this year, seven Southern Baptist churches in Wisconsin and Minnesota formed an association. They sent messengers to the annual meeting of the Baptist General Convention of Texas and were accepted into the convention as full-fledged members.

An American Baptist leader, Joseph I. Chapman, executive secretary of the Minnesota Convention.

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The vote to employ professional assistance was unanimous. 19 of the 23 members of the special committee attended the meeting.

The Committee to Study Total Southern Baptist Program expects to ask the 1957 Convention to continue it for another year. If the Convention renews the committee, Branch said that the services of the management consultant firm will be retained until a complete survey has been achieved.

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PRAYER OPENS POLICE MEETINGS

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah (RNS) — Command-level meetings of the Salt Lake City Police Department are begun with prayer under a new procedure adopted by Police Chief W. Cleon Skousen.

Chief Skousen, his two assistant chiefs and five captains take turns offering the prayer in their daily meetings.

Beginning meetings with prayer, according to Mr. Skousen, tends to put the group at ease and also prompts a more understanding approach to the daily problems.

Principal, Student To Preach



LITTLE ROCK, Ark.—A school principal and a high school senior receive licenses to preach in Baptist pulpits of the state from Dr. Dale Cowling, pastor of Second Baptist church here (center). The new preachers are: Wade Davis, principal of Robert E. Lee Elementary School (right); and Robert Waller Russell, senior at Central High School. The student is a grandson of the late Dr. Calvin B. Waller, well-known Baptist preacher, who was pastor of the Little Rock Second church for 26 years.—Religious News Service Photo.

Nine Pastors Enrolled At Blue Mountain College



While Blue Mountain College is not coeducational, 9 pastors are now enrolled. Six of them are shown in this picture. They do not participate in student activities, but are only doing their class work at the College. They are pastors of churches, which they can serve and obtain their degrees at the same time. These men were called to preach be-

for they got their degrees. They drive from their homes to Blue Mountain College daily. They are left to right: Kermit McGregor, Dunlap, pastor Pleasant Ridge Church, Union County; Wallace Pannell, Myrtle, pastor Beulah, Martin, and New Harmony Churches, Union county; Hugh Rakestraw, New Albany, pastor Center, Inveil, and

Mount Vernon Churches in Union, Pontotoc, and Lee counties, respectively; DeWayne Whitman, Ripley, pastor, Palmer Church, Tippah county; Horace Thomas, New Albany, pastor, Belden Church, Lee county, and John D. Hopper, Tipterville, pastor, Ripley Mission, Tippah county.

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Sunday School Department, sponsor of the event.

Any other V. B. S. workers will be welcome. The meeting will begin at 2 p. m. on Monday and close at 4 p. m. on Tuesday.



Dr. Treadway is a graduate of Mississippi College, Clinton, and the Southern Seminary (Th.M. and Th.D.).

He has served as pastor of the First Church, Cleveland, Miss., and First Church, Columbia, Miss.

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Dead Sea - -

(Continued from Page 1) said. He added that the story it tells of Noah might have been omitted from the Bible because of "censorship."

He also stated that Lamech, son of Methusaleh, and grandson of Enoch, was married to his own sister. This he continued, disproves long-held belief that the marriage of patriarchs to female relatives, including sisters, had ended long before. Such marriages were originally necessitated by the shortage of women.

In the scroll Lamech, speaking in the first person, tells

She Gave Up The Life of a Catholic Nun - Now An Active Baptist Worker

EL PASO, Tex. (BP)—She was once a Roman Catholic nun who taught catechism in a girls' school. Now she is a devout Baptist, an evangelist among her Catholic friends and a tireless worker in First Baptist Church here.

This is what makes Mrs. Steve Cantrill unusual.

Such a summary can scarcely be a surface observation of Mrs. Cantrill, known to hundreds in El Paso as benefactor and friend.

The kindly grey-haired churchwoman is head of the welfare work of First Baptist Church, superintendent of Primary departments in Sunday school and Baptist Training Union, and teacher of study courses.

At home with her equally consecrated husband, the Cantrills observe family altar and try to keep out of their home anything they believe will be displeasing to Christ.

Her husband is a deacon, teaches a men's Sunday school class, and is active in Brotherhood and Training Union as

well.

Mrs. Cantrill says the thing that surprises most of her Catholic friends is the fact that she has absolutely no regrets about leaving the Catholic Church.

She was reared a Catholic, attended a Catholic school, and taught for nine years. She gave up the life of a Catholic nun because she felt that she could no longer give blind obedience and say compulsory prayers.

Never Persecuted

She simply wrote a letter to the "mother superior" at the convent, went home to a sister, and, with the Pope's permission, laid aside her nun's attire.

Mrs. Cantrill has never been persecuted. She reports she is still regarded in need of prayer because she has been led astray by the Baptists and is "doomed to hell" for committing the "mortal sin of disbelief and disobedience."

Her friends among the Catholics of El Paso are many, for her evangelical and welfare work among them is a work of love. She seeks only to help them know her Lord as Saviour and find the inner peace and happiness which has come to her.

One of the hardest beliefs Catholics have to overcome in accepting a new faith is that pertaining to the "eucharist," says Mrs. Cantrill. Catholics believe the bread and wine used in the Lord's Supper literally become Christ's body and blood, and worship them as a living Saviour.

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Paul Meigs Assumes Florida Position

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. (BP)—Paul A. Meigs, pastor of Calvary Baptist Church, Berkeley, Calif., will become director of evangelism and missionary education for the Florida Baptist Convention here on Jan. 1.

Meigs, a native of Alabama, is a graduate of the University of Alabama, Southern Baptist Seminary, and Golden Gate Baptist Seminary. He has been serving as a California member of the Southern Baptist Executive Committee.

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Among recent visitors in the Baptist Building were Mr. and Mrs. E. J. McGee, Yazoo City; Annelle Stuart, Gail Loring, Margaret Amacker, Wayne Cockern, Poplarville; Jewell S. Golmon, Pascoagoula; Ina Villaret, Jackson; Leland Quarles, Jackson.

Refugees Join Texas Church



This Hungarian family is the first group of refugees from recent fighting in Hungary to join a Southern Baptist church. The father Menyhart Miklos is at least. Next in line as Istvan, 8; Ilona, 13; Mrs. Miklos, and Mariana, 3½. They have joined Trinity Baptist Church, San Antonio, Tex., where Rev. W. S. McBirnie is pastor. The church has offered to find employment for Miklos, a former Budapest merchant whose father is a Baptist minister.—(Baptist Press).

Imperative Action

Board members termed as "imperative" the following actions to be undertaken during the coming year:

- Securing a pioneer missionary for the Wisconsin-Minnesota area immediately.

- Making a complete survey of the principal cities in the two states.

- Making plans to help the out-of-state churches in simultaneous revivals, using Texas Baptist helpers the week prior to the Southern Baptist Convention's annual meeting in Chicago.

- Observing periods of planning, saving, spending, giving, Union, stewardship, enlargement, and church building beginning next summer.

The BGCT executive board, representing 3,720 churches and 1,463,293 members over the state, took strong exception. It adopted a plan to help the new churches and set forth its sentiments in a lengthy statement.

Church And College Sponsor Revival

Trinity Church of Fulton and Tawawa Junior College BSU sponsored a youth revival.

Frank Taylor, a student of the Howard College Extension Center, Mobile, was the preacher. The singing was led by T. A. Pritchett, also a student at Howard College in Birmingham.

There were 20 professions of faith and 72 other decisions. Of this number three were dedicated for definite religious work. The spirit of revival is continuing on the campus.

Thirty students of the college and Miss Gladys Bryant, student director, attended the State B.S.U. Convention Dec. 7-9 at Meridian.

—Member of Meridian Chamber of Commerce.
—Eating facilities.

NOW LOOK WHO IS PLAYING SANTA



Could you guess who is playing Santa in the accompanying photo? In case you give up, it is none other than Dr. S. R. Woodson, president of the State Convention, and pastor of Columbus' First Church. The occasion was the crowning of the Christmas King and Queen of the Training Union of that church during holidays. The queen was Jeannette Brown and the king Wade Harris. Looking on is Mrs. Elbert Phillips.

BAPTIST EDUCATION —

Safety Valve of a Great Denomination

By Dr. A. Donald Bell, Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary

This is a condensation of the Christian Education Address, The Missouri Baptist State Convention, Cape Girardeau.

Southern Baptists are now a

great Denomination. This is true from several aspects: 1) they are great in size — not only nationally, but internationally; 2) they are world wide in their prestige (through missions and through acceptance as a religious, social, and political influence); 3) they are great because of their independence, which gives solidarity to their work; 4) and finally, they are matured and established, no longer just a young growing group of Christians. These are wonderful achievements and we thank God for them.

However, our very "bigness" could bring on our failure! A great denomination, as it grows, brings in more peoples of different backgrounds and views: Therefore, there is the constant danger that we will get away from our traditional and conservative Southern Baptist beliefs and ways. It is easier for a large denomination to "get off the track." Does that necessarily mean that size, in itself, is the danger? No. Southern Baptists are not big because they just want to be big; rather our size is a simple by-product of carrying out God's command.

Because we have been so near the center of God's plan for world-wide redemption we have become "world-wide." The size is a means toward the end — not the end. William Booth, founder of the Salvation Army, used the term "army" because he felt that sin and hunger were so widespread around the world that it would take a large movement to fight it.

Yet size may produce evils within a great denomination. Some which we could face are: mass production of the Faith; compromise (diluting) the Faith; and the resulting loss of doctrinal beliefs; statistical mania which glories in size rather than quality; loss of fellowship within our ranks, which points up the centrality of the local church; and loss of a feeling of intimacy with the causes we support. While many means are now being employed to avoid these dangers, there is one safety valve which our great and large Denomination can and must use.

Baptist Education constitutes the best instrument to "Keep us on the track!" Our colleges can teach our lay young people the great body of the Southern Baptist heritage. Our seminaries can instill in our ministry the essential beliefs and methods and they will, in turn, pass on to their churches.

Our Southern Baptist college and seminary teachers must preserve our heritage. Incidentally, our heritage now includes not only our love of religious freedom and our doctrinal beliefs, but also the great Southern Baptist organizational methods of church work. Church leaders of the world now compliment us on our "know-how" of church administration and religious education. These proven methods are now part of our heritage.

Therefore, our Baptist teachers regulate how this heritage will be passed on. These teachers can show consistencies (not inconsistencies) between the Christian and the secular; formulate new methods of church organization as they are produced in the local churches; retain the orthodoxy of Baptist teachers; and make initial and lasting impressions on our young Baptists. They can either purify or purify our Faith. They and the schools in which they function are our great investments for denominational security. These Southern Baptist schools are our safety valve for our beloved Denomination!

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MARYKNOLL, N. Y.—A record total of 5,126 United States Roman Catholic priests, religious and scholastics are engaged in foreign mission work, according to The Field Afar, monthly magazine published here by the Catholic Foreign Mission Society of America (Maryknoll Fathers).

State Evangelistic Conference
Meridian Feb. 11-13

Homes with bed and breakfast will be provided free for those who desire them. Write to Homes Committee, Dr. Walter L. Moore, First Baptist Church, Chairman.

For those desiring hotel and motel accommodations the following are listed. Please write directly to them:

	Rates
	Single Double
Downtown Section **Lamar Hotel (200 Rooms)	\$4.00 up \$6.00 up
Downtown Section **Meridian Hotel (90 Rooms)	2.00 up 3.00 up
Hwy. 80 East *Irvin Hotel Court (30 units)	5.00 up 6.50 up
Tom Bailey Drive **Katherine Court (17 units)	4.50 up 5.50 up
Tom Bailey Drive Lone Star Tourist Ct. (10 units)	4.00 up 5.50 up
Hwy. 45 North *Morocco Lodge (12 units)	4.50 up 5.50 up
4800 8th Street *Motel Tourist Ct. (31 units)	4.00 up 4.65 up
Tom Bailey Drive **Nelva Tourist Ct. (45 units)	5.00 up 6.70 up
Tom Bailey Drive *Pine Haven Motor Ct. (12 units)	4.00 up 5.50 up
Tom Bailey Drive *Eurotel (18 units)	5.00 up 6.50 up
4309 8th Street ***Triangle Tourist Ct. (58 units)	4.00 up 6.00 up
(Kitchenettes)	
Tom Bailey Drive *Virginia Court (30 units)	5.00 up 6.50 up
Tom Bailey Drive *White Haven Tourist Ct. (21 units)	3.50 up 4.50 up
Tom Bailey Drive **Holiday Inn (52 units)	5.50 up 9.00 up

*Member of Meridian Chamber of Commerce.

**Eating facilities.

Baptists 'Strike' For More Church Workers



LITTLE ROCK, Ark.—Members of the Training Union of Reynolds Baptist church here went on "strike" against all church members who do not attend the union's weekly meetings. The "strikers" asked for higher attendance, better preparation of programs and better on-the-job training. They also wanted other fringe benefits such as more daily Bible readers. H. C. Cope, Training Union director, said the "strikers" would continue their picketing until demands are met and union membership has increased. The first Sunday after the strike was called attendance at the union's meeting rose considerably. Rev. Guy S. Wilson, pastor, said he was in sympathy with the strikers' demands but asked for a speedy settlement.—Religious News Service Photo.

SURVEY INDICATES LITTLE OPPOSITION TO RELIGIOUS PREFERENCE QUESTION

MILWAUKEE, Wis. (RNS)—A survey made by the Milwaukee field office of the United States Census Bureau has indicated little opposition to including a religious preference question in the 1960 decennial census.

As a sampling of public opinion on the question, 431 houses holds in a four-county area of Wisconsin were asked: "What is your religion?"

Michael J. Gallo, supervisor of the census bureau's Milwaukee office, reported that only three persons refused flatly to tell. Eleven others showed mild resentment at first, but answered readily after the question was explained.

Answers were channeled in five directions—Protestant, Roman Catholic, Jewish, all others or none. Protestants were asked if they were Baptist, Lutheran, Methodist, Presbyterian, or any other.

Milwaukee, Waukesha, Racine and Walworth counties were the only ones surveyed in the country. The Census Bureau had announced that results of the study might determine whether the questions should be asked nationwide in 1960.

ANSWER PUZZLE NO. 11

For in him we live, and move, and have our being.
(Acts 17:28).

FOR THE NEW YEAR . . .

At the beginning of a New Year we would pause to give thanks to God and to our many friends for all the good things that have come our way during the past year.

We are deeply grateful for the support that has been given to the hospital during 1956 and look forward to 1957 in anticipation of the continuance of such support.

Be assured that our hope and resolve for the coming year is to merit the interest and help of all Mississippi Baptists and our numerous other friends as we earnestly strive to do our best for Christ's cause through a worthy healing ministry.

May God's blessings abound with each of you throughout 1957 and the years to come.

Mississippi Baptist Hospital

PAUL J. PRYOR, Administrator



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PLAN FOR CHILDREN
One of the most needed leaflets to come from the Training Union Department in Nashville is the one which is "Planning for Nursery Beginner and Primary Children During Study Courses."

No study course books are

Wake Forest, Meredith Given Trust Agreement

DURHAM, N. C. (BP) — A Durham physician has established a major trust agreement providing income for Wake Forest College, Meredith College, and the Mills Home branch of North Carolina Baptist Children's Home.

The trust, with a potential value "considerably in excess of a million dollars," was established by Dr. Burton W. Fassett in honor of his late wife, Lucy Teague Fassett.

Dr. Fassett was a founder and first president of the Durham-Orange Medical Society. He was the organizer and president for two terms of the state Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat Society.

Wake Forest College and Meredith College are four-year schools operated by the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina.

Calvary, Waynesboro Oversubscribes Goal Set For Lottie Moon

As a part of the Week of Prayer for Foreign Missions observance, Calvary Church, Waynesboro, oversubscribed its goal on Sunday, December 16. Rev. Charles Holifield, new pastor of Calvary Church, preached on foreign missions.

Afterwards an invitation was given for the members to come forward, bringing their gifts to the Lord Jesus during the Christmas season. A cross of lights in front of the pulpit served as a visual reminder of the church's \$150.00 goal, each light representing a \$5.00 contribution to the Lottie Moon Offering. A total of more than \$175.00 was actually given during the service.

Mrs. A. W. Gray is resident of the W. M. S., which sponsored the Lottie Moon Offering on a churchwide basis this year for the first time.



TIME TO THINK

Yes, it's time to think about promoting the Convention and Assembly Features in your local church and in your association. We have ample supplies of the following listed features: Adult Mission Story Feature, Intermediate Sword Drill, Young People's Speakers' Tournament, and the Junior Memory Work Drill. All of these tracts have been re-written and will take the place of those that were published last year. You may receive copies of each of these tracts by writing the state Training Union Department, P. O. Box 530, Jackson. These materials should be placed in the hands of the leaders who in turn should give the information to the person we have on our files but somehow many of those reports never seem to get mailed to the Associational Training Union Director or the state Training Union Department. This quarterly report is a vital link between you and your director and between the church and the state office. Exercise care in filling in the report, list the leadership, list any standard units.

IT'S NEVER TOO LATE

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MILITARY SERVICE

MEMBERSHIP PLAN — The Military Service Membership Plan is an integral part of the Training Union's ministry of training in church membership. Through it, Adult and Young People's unions help the church maintain its relationship with members away in military service by helping them to continue to grow as Christians and church members.

Order the free tract and poster, entitled "Keep 'em Growing", from your state Training Union Department, P. O. Box 530, Jackson, or from the Training Union Department, Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville 3, Tennessee. The tract introduces and explains the basic plan; the poster may be used in promoting the plan in your union.

Compile a correct list showing names and addresses of all men and women in your church who are away in military service and whose ages correspond to those of your union. Order the two new record form, TU 1850 and TU 1855 from your Baptist Book Store, and order for each of the prospects on the list the booklet When You Are The "U" In Uniform.

Plan Now To Attend

Seventh Annual Series

WORLD MISSIONS CONFERENCES

January 14-18, 21-27

TEN REGIONAL MEETINGS

10 A. M. Until 4 P. M. Daily

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Theme:

The Church Finance Program of Southern Baptists and Its Relation to World Missions

SPEAKERS —

- Chester L. Quarles
- Joe T. Odle
- Thomas B. Chaney
- Pastors of Test Churches

Check your Meeting:

Monday, January 14 — Brookhaven

Tuesday, January 15 — Hattiesburg

Wednesday, January 16 — Gulfport

Thursday, January 17 — Newton

Friday, January 18 — Clinton

Monday, January 21 — Indianola

Tuesday, January 22 — Batesville

Wednesday, January 23 — Tupelo

Thursday, January 24 — Kosciusko

Friday, January 25 — Starkville

Please note the corrected dates in above schedule for Kosciusko and Starkville meetings. The original schedule called for Kosciusko meeting January 25 and Starkville January 24.

The meeting will be held in the First Baptist Church in each community listed. Host churches will provide tables and drinks for those who desire to bring their lunches. Most of those attending will probably desire to eat at restaurants. In Newton and Clinton the college cafeterias will be available.

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EDITORIALS

The President and the Liquor Bottles

President Eisenhower has refused to allow his name to be used on a whiskey decanter made especially for the forthcoming inauguration.

Mr. Boston Distiller, Inc. began putting out whiskey bottles with the names of the U. S. Presidents fused into the glass. Each bottle also carried a picture and a brief history of the Capitol. Some beady-eyed advertising man in the distillery front office termed the scheme "a historical memento produced for the Christmas trade."

White House counsel Gerald D. Morgan pointed out that the company had not secured White House permission for the use of his name. Mr. Eisenhower refused to allow his name to be used.

Hooray for Ike!

This action could have been motivated by politics and politics alone. In public office it is a pretty good idea at least to appear to be on the side of the angels.

On the other hand, the President's action could have been prompted by an honest sense of Christian integrity. This we prefer to believe.

Fortunately for the American people there is a growing body of evidence that the man in the White House has some moral scruples and some spiritual convictions.

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No Bigotry Among Brethren

For a hundred years rivalry has arrayed the north against the south and vice versa. The Civil War was only one of the manifestations of this fierce inter-regional competition.

Nowadays such feuding and fussing is on a much more friendly basis, for which we can be thankful. Even so, the old jealousies creep into the Baptist picture once in awhile. Territorial loyalties seem to get in the way of Kingdom interests. And there is little comfort for the conscience in the fact that Methodists, Presbyterians, among others, face the same geographical schizophrenia.

When Southern Baptists began moving out from behind the Mason-Dixon line to establish churches in the northern states there was bound to be some bristling and growling. Had the "invasion" been in the other direction with the American Baptist Convention organizing in the south the bristling and growling would have been even louder. Such are our emotional loyalties to the home teams.

With Southern Baptist work now going on in 41 of the 47 states, with Southern Baptist churches springing up right and left in the so-called "pioneer" areas, with the Illinois convention making a strong bid for a Southern Baptist Seminary to be located in Chicago, some American Baptist Convention spokesmen have grown ill at ease. And they have said so.

These voices, which we feel are in a minority among our northern brethren, have been amplified from the rooftops by certain non-denominational newspapers and magazines. The *Christian Century* recently quoted a *Baptist Record* editorial as evidence of a Southern Baptist plot to take over and liberate northern Baptist churches.

Such statements, spoken and written, misunderstand and misinterpret Southern Baptist interest and intentions.

There are multiplied thousands of areas in the northern, western, and northeastern states that have no Baptist witness whatsoever. We are interested in reaching their untouched millions.

To our consternation and shame a few ill-advised brethren have led in the establishment of Southern Baptist churches under the shadow of American Baptist churches. Moved by a superior sense of orthodoxy, often by a haughty sense of disdain, these people have done great damage to fraternal relations. They have likewise misrepresented Southern Baptist missionary aggressiveness.

If we can read the signs correctly, the widespread support of this denominational expansion into the north and west, is based on a deep-running desire of our people to win the lost and enlist the saved. Nothing more, nothing less!

In the December issue of the *Crusader*, the American Baptist newsmagazine, printed a letter from Rev. George W. Riser of Montevideo, Minnesota. Referring to a previous issue of the magazine he said, "The article 'Northward Ho!' on the expansion of Southern Baptists in 'our' convention area interested me greatly. As a former pastor in Wyoming I have seen these people come in and build strong churches when all prophesied failure. At least, they haven't taken over churches built by American Baptist money!"

Continuing this letter to the editor, the Minnesota pastor stated, "American Baptists should not only 'acquaint themselves fully with all such facts of life,' but should acquire some of their aggressive evangelism, missionary zeal, and dedicated giving! Perhaps then we would advance and do more for Christ than ever before! If we really believed in our denomination as these people do there would be no limit to the advances of our work!"

This letter doubtless credits us with more virtues than we can rightfully claim. Its real significance, however, is the spirit which it manifests. Perhaps our fellow-Baptists in the north could lend-lease a lot of that commodity for use down in Dixie. Where Christ rules there can be no bigotry among brethren.

BAYLOR MAY UNDERTAKE INTERNATIONAL MISSION

WACO, Tex. (BP)—Baylor University may extend its campus half way around the world to Nigeria through an "ambitious" educational missions program.

100 persons met here at the call of Baylor President W. R. White to consider implementation of President Eisenhower's proposal—last May—for international educational cooperation.

They accepted sponsorship of a Baptist university in Nigeria as a worthy objective.

The conference also proposed inauguration on the Waco campus not later than next September, of special courses in literacy and simplified English language for the benefit of foreign students in Nigeria.

President White pointed out that the meeting was exploratory only, and its conclusions must be considered by the Baylor administration and trustees at a later date.

Editor Questions Two Seminaries In Same Locality

ALBUQUERQUE, N. M. (BP)—Why have two Baptist seminaries in the same city? asks the editor of the *Baptist New Mexican* in discussing proposed establishment of a Southern Baptist seminary in Kansas City, Mo., or Chicago.

Editor Lewis A. Myers cautions against "doubling seminary facilities." He backs Colorado as site for a seminary. Both Denver and Colorado Springs have been mentioned as possible sites.

The Southern Baptist Convention Committee on Theological Education has under consideration the various sites proposed for the Convention's sixth seminary.



17TH CENTURY BAPTIST PRESS

PREACHER IN AND OUT OF JAIL FOR MANY YEARS IS FREE AGAIN

BEDFORD, England, February, 1676 (BP)—John Bunyan, the nonconformist minister who has been in and out of jail here since 1661, is free again. His latest confinement was for only six months.

The preacher owes his freedom today to the intervention of Bishop Barlow of Lincoln. Friends of Bunyan appealed to the bishop, who has the right to release a nonconformist prisoner in his diocese upon the appeal of two or more persons. The release was granted under the provision that the prisoner shall conform to the requirements of the Anglican Church within six months.

One of those who appealed to Bishop Barlow on Bunyan's behalf was John Owen, prominent nonconformist and former associate of the bishop of Oxford. The clergyman took the precaution of having release of the Protestant firebrand approved by the Lord Chancellor, thus relieving himself of responsibility in the event of repercussions.

After enjoying freedom for approximately three years, Bunyan was placed under arrest again in March, 1675. The warrant carried a blistering array of names, including some of the magistrates who had assigned the minister to prison more than a decade earlier:

The warrant ordered the arrest of "one John Bunyan, who has at divers times within one month past in contempt of His Majesty's good laws, preached or taught at a meeting or as-

sembly under color or pretense of exercise of religion in other manner than according to the liturgy or practice of the Church of England."

Bunyan had been released from prison in 1672 under the Declaration of Indulgence of King Charles II, but the action proved unpopular with nonconformists who suspected that the declaration was designed to protect Catholics. Intolerance of nonconformists became acute last year, and Bunyan was arrested after the king was persuaded to call in the licenses granted to nonconformist preachers and places of worship.

The preacher was first arrested in 1660 while preaching and was charged with conducting a seditious meeting. Sentenced without a jury trial to three months' imprisonment, Bunyan remained in jail for twelve years. Law enforcement officers refused to release him because the prisoner frankly declared that he would resume preaching if set free.

Through the years Bunyan and his wife tried unsuccessfully to win for him a fair trial. Once the jailer was warned to keep a closer watch on the preacher when it was reported that Bunyan was sometimes allowed brief leaves of absence. In prison the minister wrote prodigiously, preached to other prisoners, and supported his wife and family by making and selling lace.

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The Baptist Forum

Thanks Extended

Thank you very much for your kind editorial of December 13. I appreciated very much your warm encouragement in this ministry to the mental ill. I'm sure that the editorial and other such efforts are doing much to help us in our work with these who are many ways an outcast people.

C. K. PEPPER, Chaplain, Miss. State Hospital, Whitfield, Miss.

ELDERLY MEMBERS

Reading in the *Baptist Record* and the state daily papers where so many churches are planning new church buildings, may I be permitted through the columns of our paper to make a suggestion to those contemplating new edifices?

It is this: In planning a new building, if you will build the front of the church flat on the ground then the older, more decrepit members can attend services where they can't climb church steps and attend at all. I'm getting to be among the older members of the Calvary Baptist Church in Silver Creek now and I know this is true.

What goes for me and others here in this church is true in other churches. This is just a suggestion, of course, but it will bear thinking about.

Miss Clayton Mikell, Box 64, Silver Creek.

The Alexanders Write Home

Dear Friends,

Recently we had the opportunity to go to Port Limon on the Atlantic Coast with the other couples here who will be going to Argentina. The trip down took six and one half hours on a slow train that stopped at every village it passed, but the mountain scenery was beautiful. Limon is a clean tropical town right on the edge of the ocean with coconut palms everywhere. We visited our church there where the Baptist convention will meet this year, and had a short swim in the ocean until we saw a small shark. Our trip back took only a half-hour by plane.

Last month we joined our Baptist church in Merida—a town about ten or twelve miles from San Jose. The church has just celebrated its second anniversary and we are thrilled that, in spite of persecution, they have made so much progress:

THE ALEXANDERS, Mark and Cecile, Apartado 4035, San Jose, Costa Rica.

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Gets Founder's Books

The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary of Louisville, Ky., has received a gift of more than 200 volumes from the personal library of William Williams. Williams was one of four founders of the Seminary in 1859 in Greenville, S. C.

Pat Murphy, Tulsa, Okla. pastor, made the presentation during the recent meeting of the Oklahoma Baptist Convention.

Dr. Allen W. Graves, dean of the School of Religious Education of Southern Seminary, received the gift on behalf of the Seminary.

Pages From The Past

By J. L. Boyd, Sr.

50 Years Ago

This is the 80th Anniversary of the founding of the *Baptist Record* in Clinton, Mississippi, the first issue being published in January 1877, with J. B. Gambrell as editor and M. T. Martin as business manager. Dr. Gambrell was pastor of the Clinton Baptist Church and Prof. Martin was head of the mathematics department of Mississippi College who, it is said, mortgaged his home to start the venture. The paper was published in the pastor's home, which was located on the corner where the Baptist Church House now stands, but was moved onto the second block to the east, and is yet used as a residence at 208 E. College St., facing the athletic field.

The church at Hazlehurst closed a successful meeting with seventeen additions to the church. Pastor R. H. Tandy was assisted by Evangelist T. T. Martin.

40 Years Ago

Nothing newsworthy, except this: Little Clara, aged six, did not know the meaning of encore, and was very much disgusted with the audience at the children's Christmas concert, in which she took part. "I just know we didn't make a single mistake," she exclaimed; "yet those in front got cross, and made such a fuss, that we had to do it all over again."

25 Years Ago

In Mrs. P. I. Lipsey's Children's Circle one little girl wrote a poem about Santa Claus and Christmas. Her name was (is) Antonina Canzineri, and the poem runs, in part, as follows:

"Christmastime is nearly here, with all its happy Christmas cheer. The sky is not so very clear; But that's the sign that Santa's near. The children are a-getting good. As everybody always should." (Antonia graduated from Mississippi College in 1940, and after training, went to Africa as a missionary and is now serving at the Baptist Hospital, Ogbomoso, Nigeria.

'Church of Tomorrow' Opens Its Doors After Three Years Of Construction

OKLAHOMA CITY (RNS) — A \$1,300,000 "Church of Tomorrow" once termed an architectural impossibility, opened its doors here after having been under construction for three years. Since it was first planned nine years ago, it has been both a controversial and controversial topic.

First Christian church's new "futuristic" structure is built on a 40-acre area in one of this city's better residential sections.

The structure comprises a sanctuary, a fine arts building and an education building.

The sanctuary which resembles in form half an eggshell.

The sanctuary is housed beneath a membranous shell of concrete and steel. It has no pillars but is supported entirely by the concrete and steel.

Church officials watched 8,000 persons attempt to attend first services in the sanctuary, which seats 1,000. On some days during its construction as many as 1,500 visitors viewed the church.

Many recognized engineering authorities disputed architect R. Duane Confer's theory of the design—labelling it an impossibility. But his contention that the arches would support the structure has proven correct with weight tests.

An escalator takes worshippers from the ground floor to the entrance of the sanctuary a story above. Below the sanctuary are the church offices and parlor.

Has Large Stage

The area usually occupied by the clergy and the choir in the sanctuary can be cleared with ease, and a stage made

large enough to hold a 100-piece symphony orchestra.

Concrete was blown into the dome of the sanctuary by pneumatic instruments. Tiny flecks of glass in the concrete make the dome sparkle in the sunlight. A steel "cap" is at the top of the dome.

Connected to the sanctuary is the four-story educational building. The exterior of this unit is mostly steel and glass.

Lower floor of the building is a dining room.

The fine arts building has a theater-in-the-round which also can be used for dance and music recitals, as well as dramatic presentations.

All lighting during the day is accomplished by plexiglass "bulbs" on all three buildings.

Decor is predominantly soft browns and tans, with mahogany paneling.

A 130-foot bell tower houses

the speakers for the electronic carillons. Next to the tower is a reflecting pool which actually serves as water for the plant's air-conditioning unit.

Counselor's Corner

By Dr. R. Lofton Hudson

Dr. Hudson, pastor of Wornall Road Baptist Church, Kansas City, Missouri, author of "The Religion of a Mature Person" and "The Religion of a Sound Mind" for the Baptist Record.

(Author of the new book FOR OUR AGE OF ANXIETY which may be purchased from your Baptist Book Store.)

CAN I KNOW?

QUESTION: I am 15 years of age. I'm a Christian and believe that I am saved. Some friends of mine have told me that no one on earth could know whether he or she were saved, that they wouldn't know until the judgment day. I believe that one can know that he is saved. Am I wrong?

ANSWER: You are not wrong if the Bible is right. Look in a Bible concordance under the word "know" and you will see how contrary to New Testament Christianity your friends are.

There is not a verse in the Bible to indicate that the judgment is to decide whether or not we are saved. The judgment reveals, not determines. We determine our destiny here on earth by what we do about the Son of God.

To say that we cannot know whether or not we have repented and believed on the living Christ is pure foolishness. If we have trusted Him, the rest is up to Him.

Look at it this way: The words "I know" mean that my sense of assurance is so strong that I feel certainty concerning the matter. This feeling of certainty may be an illusion. In various human experiences it is. But when a man says, "I know I am saved," he is basing his assurance upon the character and promises of God. And his assurance grows as he allows the Holy Spirit to transform him.

Your friends may not know that they are saved, but millions of Christians do.

(Address questions to Dr. Hudson, Wornall Road Baptist Church, Kansas City, Mo.)

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Calendar of Prayer

January 1 — Rev. John Hill, Training Union Director, Adams Association; Mrs. Geo. D. Purvis, Copiah Association WMU President.

January 8 — Mrs. Doris Alley, Mississippi College faculty; Rev. W. P. Young, Jackson Associational Superintendent of Missions.

January 9 — Mrs. Wayne McClure, William Carey College faculty; Dr. Wilfred C. Tyler, Blue Mountain College faculty.

January 10 — Martha Ann Hale, BSU Director, Southwest Junior College; Col. H. Paul Deller, Gulf Coast Association Sunday School Superintendent.

10.S.B.C. Presidents

TEXT BY LOUISE LATIMER OWENS



SUNDAY SCHOOL AND TRAINING UNION ATTENDANCE

Anguilla	52	30	Ridgecrest	421	166
Belden	70	43	Southside	220	166
Bethlehem (Jones)	168	113	West	401	172
Booneville, Ifirst	262	100	Kosciusko, First	658	186
Brookhaven, First	756	223	Main	626	
Main	638	152	Maple Mission	32	
Southway	85	51	Laurel, First	578	165
Halbert Heights	30	20	Laurel, Highland	222	122
Centon, Center Ter.	225	127	Laurel, Wilwood	225	70
Center Hill (Desoto)	57		Longview (Oktibbeha)	91	61
Clarksdale	422	130	Lucedale	364	150
Clarksdale, Oakhurst	448	115	Magee, First	431	117
Cleveland, Immanuel	182	115	Meridian:		
Collins	181	66	First	722	179
Columbia, First	630	172	Forty-First Ave.	367	122
Main	597		Eighth Ave.	192	82
Columbia, Trg. School	33		State Blvd.	314	114
Concord (Choctaw)	76	61	Emmanuel	54	30
Cyrstal Springs, 1st	621	191	Eastview	178	92
Derma	87	63	Key Field	90	54
Dixie (Lebanon)	209	117	Poplar Springs Dr.	385	123
Duck Hill	118	41	Highland	510	191
Ethel	101	53	Fifteenth Ave.	485	
Fair Rivey (Lincoln)	119	67	Oakland Heights	252	108
Fellowship (Choctaw)	70	57	South Side	452	163
Flowood	108	65	Grandview Chapel	24	21
Furrs (Pontotoc)	94	61	Neshoba	94	57
Glenfield (Union Co.)	105	65	Main	587	160
Greenwood, Calvary	378	148	Northside Mission	51	28
Greenwood, North	288	77	Pascagoula, First	684	238
Gulfport, Grace Mem.	279	73	Main	587	201
Gulfport, First	796	253	McArthur Chapel	38	
Hattiesburg, First	557	189	Orange Grove Chapel	59	37
Hattiesburg, Main St.	902	394	Petal-Harvey	394	203
Hattiesburg, 38th Ave	219	132	Main	348	155
Itt Bena, First	178	82	Harvey Mission	46	48
Jackson:			Petal, Temple	171	90
Calvary	1422	418	Richland (Rankin)	281	120
Main	1376	391	Ruth	71	65
Mission	46	27	Soso, First	119	109
Daniel Memorial	843	362	Starkville, First	708	213
First	1228	405	Sunflower	74	36
Highland	117	85	Union, First	327	115
Hillcrest	290	134	West End (Winston)	87	69
Parkway	906	477	West Point, Calvary	261	130

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DOROTHY DENNIS SMITH
Dorothy Dennis Smith, charter member of the Colonial Heights Church, Jackson, died recently.

Mrs. Smith served faithfully and... Her Lord, her church, and her family. The deacons and the members of Colonial Heights Church have in the form of resolutions expressed their love for her, and their sympathy to her husband, children, and family.

Rev. C. Richard Ethridge was recently ordained to the gospel ministry by the Fifty-First Avenue Church, Meridian.

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Names In The News

Rev. Tom Jackson, Mississippi College student, is the new pastor at Milligan Springs Church in Montgomery County.

Rev. Lloyd C. Brown, Jr. has been called as pastor of the Everett Church in Simpson County. He was ordained in November at the Liberty Church in Scott County. His father, Rev. L. C. Brown, Sr., pastor at Liberty, preached the ordination sermon. Rev. J. F. Brantley, pastor at Forest, delivered the charge to the church.

Rev. C. W. Jolley has resigned as pastor of the Raworth church in Scott County. On December 13 the Raworth Church, ordained as deacons Oscar Purvis, Archie Sullivan, and Martin Gardner. Rev. Herman Milner, pastor of the Van Winkle Church, Jackson, delivered the charge to the church and to the candidates. Rev. L. C. Brown, Sr. pastor of the Liberty Church (Scott) preached the ordination sermon.

Dr. W. W. Stevens, Professor of Bible at Mississippi College, will teach the Bible study on the book of Romans, "The Gospel According to Paul," at the Alta Woods Church, Jackson, January 7-11, Bible Study Week. Dr. Stevens was formerly pastor of the First Church, Hodgeville, Kentucky. He received the B. A. degree from Marshall College, Huntington, West Virginia and the Th. M. and the Th. D. degrees from Southern Seminary, Louisville, Ky. Rev. Percy M. Cooper is pastor at Alta Woods.

Miss Lexie Muse, Minister of Education at Second Avenue Church, Laurel, for the past year and a half, has offered her resignation in order to accept a position in the Daniel Memorial Church, Jackson.

Seven churches were represented at the meeting of the Executive Committee of the Perry County Association called by Moderator W. L. Yeatman at the Beaumont Church on December 9. The following were elected as a Special Committee to set county-wide goals and to plan a financial budget for all associational activities: Rev. M. L. Young, Rev. Luther K. Turner, and Roland J. Hinton, with the moderator and area missionary as ex-officio members.

The Committee has set up the following goals: at least ten professions of faith for each church in the county during the year; at least five standard Sunday Schools in the association; a Brotherhood, Training Union and W. M. U. in every church in the county; a better music program in all the churches; a financial program which would cover every associational activity in the county.

Rev. Luther K. Turner was elected as Publicity Chairman. Rev. L. D. Newman is area missionary.

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41st Ave. Church Ordains Preacher

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THE TRAIL OF ITCHIN' FEET by Hazel and Sam Mayo, for Intermediates, presents a picture of migrant missions. It is a study of the needs of migrant people and the work of the Home Mission Board in its effort to meet those needs.

IT'S YOUR TURN by Margaret Kline Eu- banks, for Juniors, is home missions portrayed through children's games. Boys and girls find home mission's all around them and the opportunity to be missionary in their own personal relationships. They see missions at home and the call for missions abroad.

NEW FRIENDS FOR FREDDY by Louise Berge, is the picture story book for primaries. It shows how home missions reaches neighbors in all areas.

TEACHING HELPS by John Taylor and five co-authors. There is a source book for each age group which lists background materials and suggestions for lesson plans. 15¢ each.

MISSION STUDY INSTITUTES

The series of Missionary Study Institutes planned with emphasis on HOME MISSIONS were most successful. There were 668 Mission Study teachers present from 224 churches in 62 Associations. The two teams of workers had made excellent preparation and free and priced materials were available. This advance emphasis should give much emphasis to Home Missions. The two teams consisted of the following:

Adults: Miss Almarine Brown and Mrs. Maurice Clayton, Tunica.
YWA's: Mrs. E. L. Pierce, Columbia and Mrs. G. A. Carothers, Jackson.

Intermediates: Mrs. Jesse Stewart, Picayune and Miss Nell Taylor, Jackson.

Juniors: Dot Edwards, Jackson and Mrs. Joe T. Odle, Jackson.

Sunbeams: Mrs. Robert Smira, Jackson and Mrs. M. L. Young, New Augusta.

Mrs. D. R. Bowen, Cleveland, and Edwin Robinson, Jackson were in charge of the general periods.

Dr. E. L. Douglas, Bible professor at Mississippi College, will be the teacher for the annual January Bible Study Week to be observed at Ridgecrest Church, Jackson, January 7-10. The study this year on "The Gospel According to Paul," the letter to the Romans, will be held from 7 until 8:30 each evening and the nursery will be open. Rev. Fred Tarpley is the pastor.

The Attendance by Districts was as follows: District I — 93; District II — 89; District III — 81; District IV — 71; District V — 61; District VI — 72; District VII — 68; and District VIII — 133.

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Rev. Percy Cooper Completes 6th Year At Alta Woods, Jax

Rev. Percy Cooper has been pastor of the Alta Woods church in Jackson, since December 17, 1950.

During these six years the Sunday School enrollment has grown from 295 to 1098 and the Training Union enrollment from 136 to 452. The church membership was then 249; it is now more than 900. There have been 931 additions by letter and 290 by baptism during Mr. Cooper's pastorate.

The pastor and his wife were presented with a silver service by the deacons of the Walnut Church at Christmas.

Mr. Cooper is retiring from the pastorate and will return to Texas to live.

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WASHINGTON, D. C. — The District of Columbia announced that it will no longer exact a professional license tax of \$25 a year from clergymen.

Poplar Springs Church in Carroll County has gone, to half-time preaching. Rev. James Shumate is the pastor.

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THE BAPTIST RECORD KEEPS MISSISSIPPI BAPTIST PEOPLE INFORMED.

Five Choirs Present Christmas Music in Picayune



Pictured above are the five youth choirs of First Church, Picayune. This group of approximately 175 voices presented a program of Christmas music on Sunday evening, December 16, under the direction of Paul Padgett.

The group includes the Che rub Choir, two Carol Choirs, the Youth Choir, and the Choral-ettes. Scriptures were read by Miss Rachael Johnson, and ac-companists for the choirs in-clude Mrs. Leff Robbins, Mrs. Alvin Goodwin, and Miss Betty Lane Stevens.

On Sunday evening, Decem-ber 23, the Adult Choir sang the Christmas cantata, "The Child Jesus," by Lighthill, di-rected by Mr. Padgett, with Mrs. John R. Maddox at the organ. Dr. John R. Maddox is the pastor and Rev. W. R. Gifford is the Assistant Pastor.

Chowan Lends Dr. Udvarnoki

Baptists will be proud of a returned to his native land, where he was chosen as President of the Baptist Theological Seminary at Budapest and of the Hungarian Baptist Convention, and became acquainted with most of the native Baptist ministers of Hungary, who number considerably more than one hundred.

He came to the United States for the second time in 1947 for a speaking tour, at the invitation of Dr. Swan Hawart, now pastor of the First Church of Lumberton, N. C. During this second visit he received word, through a Hungarian government official in this country, that he would be arrested if he returned to his native land, which had been overrun by the Russians. He therefore, on the completion of his speaking tour, which had taken him into seventeen states, accepted a pastorate. This was at Gatesville, not far from Murfreesboro.

After several years as pastor he was persuaded by the late Dr. F. O. Nixon, President of Chowan, to come to this institution, the oldest of the Baptist Junior Colleges in the state. For five years now he has headed

the Department of Social Sciences; this year he is teaching psychology and history.

Dr. Udvarnoki speaks English fluently, and is in various other ways well qualified to render a service of exceptional value to the thousands of Hungarian refugees, Baptist and other, who are now coming to our shores as to a promised land of liberty.

He has a warm heart and an indomitably cheerful spirit, and these are coupled with a mind thoroughly practical. In Murfreesboro he and his gracious wife—the former Miss Ruby Daniel, sometime missionary in Europe and Africa—play a large part in the life of the college and community.

Many persons in the seventeen states which Dr. Udvarnoki visited in his speaking tour will follow with keen interest this new chapter in his eminently useful life. They will rejoice at the service he is able to render to a particularly needy segment of humanity, and at the publicity which will accrue to our Baptist relief work. They will hope to see him and hear him on television, and will pray for the effectiveness of his ministrations.

On Sunday evening, Decem-ber 23, the Adult Choir sang the Christmas cantata, "The Child Jesus," by Lighthill, di-rected by Mr. Padgett, with Mrs. John R. Maddox at the organ. Dr. John R. Maddox is the pastor and Rev. W. R. Gifford is the Assistant Pastor.

He is Dr. Caleb Chu, one-time houseboy in the Generalissimo's palace at Nanking and now a Seventh-day Adventist medical missionary. Dr. Chu is known in these parts as the "little doctor." He practices his profession in this county seat town and also is the surgeon at the Oneida Mountain Hospital, 20 miles away.

Dr. Chu is assisted by his wife, also Chinese, who is a registered nurse and anaesthetist. The medical missionary made a sacrifice, financially speaking,

when he accepted the Seventh-day Adventist invitation for him to locate in Eastern Kentucky.

He was on the staff of Madison College Hospital in Tennessee, at the time he was told the Oneida hospital needed the services of a competent surgeon.

The 43-year-old doctor said the people in this area first looked at him curiously but soon accepted him. He said they started calling him the "little doctor" because he is small in stature and "also because I think they thought I was small in experience."

Dr. Chu isn't exactly in the good graces of the present Communist rulers of his country.

The mere fact that he was a member of the Generalissimo's household—although he wasn't a member of Chiang Kai-shek's party—put him in a bad light with the Reds.

Coupled with this is the fact that he once nursed Chiang Kai-shek back to health after the Generalissimo broke his back while escaping from the Communists.

Dr. Chu was a practicing nurse when the Generalissimo was captured by the Communists.

Chiang Kai-shek received a back injury in the process of escap-

Ridgecrest Appoints Educational Director



Ridgecrest Church, Jackson, has called Joseph M. Haynes of Springtown, Texas, as Educational Director.

Mr. Haynes is a native of Dallas, Texas, a graduate of Hardin-Simmons University, and will graduate on January 18 with a Master's Degree in Religious Education at Southwestern Seminary.

Mrs. Haynes is also a graduate of Hardin-Simmons University and they have one daughter, age one.

Mr. Haynes served two years as Educational Director in Tipton, Oklahoma, and for the past year has been serving as Music-Educational Director at First Church, Springtown. He is expected to be on the field at Ridgecrest sometime during the week of January 20.

Rev. Fred Tarpley is pastor.

ing. He sent for Dr. Chu, who returned to Nanking as special private nurse to the Chinese leader.

Chiang Kai-shek financed Dr. Chu through the National Medical College at Lan-chow as a gesture of appreciation. Dr. Chu fled westward in China when Chiang's government fell. He, his wife and two girls went by plane to Hong Kong and shipped to the United States under the sponsorship of the Seventh-day Adventists.

Calvary, Greenwood Has Unusual Record In Youth Volunteers

Mr. James Shumate, pastor of the Poplar Springs Baptist Church in Carroll County, was ordained Sunday afternoon, December 16, at the Calvary Baptist Church in Greenwood. Mr. Shumate plans to enter Clarke College in January to take up his studies for the ministry.

Calvary Church has an unusual record in the number of young men and women who have gone in to Christian service through the ministry of the church. At the present time Brother Virgil Ratliff, the first preacher to go out from the church is Associational Missionary in Pearl River County. Brother W. M. Daves is now at Columbia, Miss. Brother Durrell Majamson is pastoring in Wayne county; Brother Hugh Martin is pastor at Madden; Brother Bob Salmon is chaplain in the Navy; Brother Fred Williams has recently entered the Chaplaincy of the Army; Brother Leo Mangum is pastor at Taylorsville; Brother Earl Ezell is pastor at West, and will enter New Orleans Seminary in January; Brother Lynn Skelton and his wife are now students at Acadia Academy at Eunice, Louisiana.

On last Sunday evening Jimmy Jackson, a high school senior, preached his first sermon at Calvary Church and plans to enter Mississippi College next fall.

There are others who have expressed their intention of going into Christian Service who are now in high school and will soon be going on into College. They are: Nancy Vance, Ann Austin, Anne Hatcher, Margaret Gunter, Jo Ann Mims, Carmen Shepard, Elizabeth Ann Hunt, Frank Tupper and Patsy Sproles.

Besides these, there are a number of young ladies who have married and are in Christian Service with their husbands. Mrs. Billy McDaniel and her husband are now in college at Delta State, and Mrs. Joe Ray with her husband are in the New Orleans Seminary. Several of the young men mentioned are already in Christian service found their wives at Calvary Church.

Mississippian Gets Honorary Degree



Furman University of Greenville, S. C. will honor Dr. D. M. Nelson, Jr., pastor of First Baptist Church, Greenville with the honorary Doctor of Divinity degree in June, it has been announced by Dr. John L. Plyler, president.

Son of Dr. and Mrs. D. M. Nelson of Clinton, where his father is president of Mississippi College, the South Carolinian is a native of Clinton, educated in public schools there, at Mississippi College, and with master and doctor's degrees in theology from the Southern Seminary at Louisville, Ky.

He is president of the Alumni Association of Southern Seminary, and has represented both Missouri and South Carolina on the Foreign Mission Board. He is a trustee of Southern Seminary now and was a chaplain in the Navy in World War II.

He is married to the former Grace Philpot and they have four children.

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Pine trees more than 4,000 years old have been found growing in the upper timber line of mountains in eastern California. Their great age, determined by their tree-rings, makes them the oldest known living things, about 900 years older than the giant sequoias of California.

WGN Cancellation Of Luther Film Being Protested

National Council of Church officials joined with Protestant church leaders in Chicago area and with others in protest at the cancellation by a Chicago television station of its plan to present the motion picture "Martin Luther" on the air waves.

The video showing was cancelled because of pressure brought by the Roman Catholic Church, an action committee named by Chicago Protestant leaders charged. Such de facto censorship, their formal statement charged, "violates the principles of civil and religious liberty as defined in the First Amendment to the Constitution."

The station, WGN-TV, operated by the Chicago Tribune, announced, however, that withdrawal of the program was due to "an emotional reaction to the plan" to present the film.

Protestant leaders answered that this constituted an admission by the station that "it is vulnerable to pressures which we are convinced, on the basis of our discussion with WGN, have been mobilized by the Roman Catholic Church to secure banning of the film."

It was also an admission, the action committee declared, that "only such news, information, education and entertainment as are satisfactory to a particular denomination may be presented to the public by WGN."

In a message to the Rev. Dr. John W. Harms, executive vice-president of the Church Federation of Greater Chicago, Dr. Reuben Nelson, vice-chairman, and Dr. Claud Nelson, executive director of the National Council's department of religious liberty, declared:

"An airline executive who attended the Las Vegas conference said, 'We may have a seat available on a plane departing from New York for St. Louis, but if the plane stops at Pittsburgh and a full-fare paying passenger is waiting, the clergyman may be left stranded.'

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Dewease Accepts Mobile Pastorate



Rev. L. O. Dewease

Rev. L. O. Dewease has resigned the pastorate of the Mt. Nelson and Sardis Churches in Neshoba County to accept the pastorate of the West Highland Church, Mobile, Alabama.

Mr. Dewease was the first

pastor of Mt. Nelson and Sardis ever to live on the field.

During his pastorate there was a substantial increase in the membership of both churches, several new auxiliaries were organized, unified budgets were set up, and attendance in Sunday School and Training Union reached an all-time high. Gifts to missions were increased, with one of the churches claiming second place in the county and one doubling its gifts to the Cooperative Program.

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CHICAGO — Representatives of four American Lutheran Churches agreed here to proceed at once toward a goal of organic union of their denominations.

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Off The Record

Woman Driver to garage mechanic: "My husband tells me there's a screw loose in the driver—wherever that is!" —George Wolfe in Collier's.

A Youngster, being called down for a poor report card, asked: "What do you think the trouble with me is, Dad—heredity or environment?" —Contributed by H. J. Ohms.

Tell Me, Tom, who is the boss in your house?"

"Well," Tom answered thoughtfully, "Margie assumes command of the children, the servants, the dog and the parakeet. But I say pretty much what I please to the goldfish." —Sarah Churchill, quoted in Toledo Blade.

"How do you know you were going only 15 miles an hour?" the judge asked the driver accused of speeding.

"I was on my way to the dentist!" —Pacific Northwest Co-operator.

Wife modeling new hat before husband: "It didn't cost a thing. It was marked down from \$20 to \$10, so I bought it with the \$10 I saved." —Fritz Wilkinson in The American Magazine.

Ten-year-old Johnny Brown telephoned his teacher: "Miss Jones, Johnny Brown is very sick and won't be able to go to school today."

"I'm sorry to hear that," said the teacher. "May I ask who is speaking?"

"This is my father talking." —Contributed by Edith Dickinson.

A job applicant wrote "No" to the query "Have you ever been in jail?" To the following question, which was "Why?", he answered: "Never got caught." —Contributed by Dick Wright.

Husband to wife: "If nature had intended you to have a fur coat, she'd have given you one!" —Bob Barnes in The Saturday Evening Post.